

**Amendments to the Claims:**

Please amend the claims as shown below. Please add claims 19-26 as shown below. This Listing of Claims will replace prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

**Listing of Claims:**

1-6. (Cancelled)

7. (Currently Amended) A communication apparatus comprising:

a transmitting-means device configured to for transmitting, to at least one other communication apparatus, an instruction signal instructing to transmit identification information to the communication apparatus a signal to supply a clock and power to at least one other different communication apparatus so that the at least one other communication apparatus generates power for operating itself and decodes a clock from the received instruction signal, in response to receiving the instruction signal from the communication apparatus;

a receiving-means device configured to for-receiving receive identification information of the at least one other communication apparatus from the at least one other-different communication apparatus after transmitting the instruction signal by said transmitting device;

a determining-means device configured to for-determiningdetermine whether or-not saidthe receiving-means device has received the same identification information a plurality of times; and

an outputting means device configured to for-outputtingoutput the identification information received a plurality of times according to a determination result of thesaid determining-means device.

8. (Currently Amended) A communication apparatus according to claim 7, wherein thesaid transmitting-means device transmits a transmission instruction of

the information to the ~~at least one other different communication apparatus~~, and transmits the transmission instruction signal again according to a determination result of thesaid determining meansdevice.

9-15. (Cancelled)

16. (Currently Amended) A ~~communication-method~~ for performing communication by a communication apparatus, the method comprising:

a transmitting step of transmitting, to at least one other communication apparatus, an instruction a-signal instructing to transmit identification information to the communication apparatus ~~to supply a clock and power to at least one other different communication apparatus so that the at least one other communication apparatus generates power for operating itself and decodes a clock from the received instruction signal in response to receiving the instruction signal from the communication apparatus;~~

a receiving step of receiving identification information of the at least one other communication apparatus from the at least one other ~~different~~ communication apparatus after transmitting the instruction signal in thesaid transmitting step;

a determining step of determining whether ~~or not~~ the same identification information has been received a plurality of times in thesaid receiving step; and

an outputting step of outputting the identification information received a plurality of times according to a determination result obtained in thesaid determining step.

17. (Currently Amended) A ~~communication-method~~ according to claim 16, wherein thesaid transmitting step ~~transmits a transmission instruction of the information to the at least one other communication apparatus, and~~ transmits the transmission instruction signal again according to a determination of thesaid determining step.

18. (Cancelled)

19. (New) A communication apparatus comprising:

a receiving device configured to receive an instruction signal instructing to transmit identification information;

a selecting device configured to select M different numbers in response to receipt of the instruction signal;

a power generating device configured to generate power for operating the communication apparatus from the instruction signal received by the receiving device;

a clock generating device configured to generate a clock from the instruction signal received by the receiving device;

a counting device configured to count the generated clock; and

a transmitting device configured to transmit identification information of the communication apparatus, each time a clock count obtained by the counting device matches one of the numbers selected by the selecting device.

20. (New) A communication apparatus according to claim 19, further comprising a number generating device configured to generate a plurality of numbers,

wherein the selecting device selects the plurality of numbers generated by the number generating device.

21. (New) A communication apparatus according to claim 20, wherein the number generating device generates the plurality of numbers upon receipt of the instruction signal.

22. (New) A communication apparatus according to claim 19, further comprising a storing device configured to store L numbers, where  $L > M$ ,

wherein the selecting device selects M numbers from the L numbers stored in the storing device.

23. (New) A method of communication of a communication apparatus, the method comprising:

- a receiving step of receiving an instruction signal for instructing to transmit identification information;

- a selecting step of selecting M different numbers in response to receipt of the instruction signal by the receiving device;

- a power generating step of generating power for operating the communication apparatus from the instruction signal received in the receiving step;

- a clock generating step of generating a clock from the instruction signal received in the receiving step;

- a counting step of counting the generated clock; and

- a transmitting step of transmitting identification information of the communication apparatus, each time a clock count obtained in the counting step matches one of the numbers selected in the selecting step.

24. (New) A method according to claim 23, further comprising a number generating step for generating a plurality of numbers, wherein the selecting step selects the plurality of numbers generated by the number generating step.

25. (New) A method according to claim 24, wherein the number generating step generates the plurality of numbers upon receipt of the instruction signal.

26. (New) A method according to claim 23, further comprising a storing step of storing L numbers, where  $L > M$ , wherein the selecting step selects M numbers from the L numbers stored in the storing step.